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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- \square A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- No additional fee is required.

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 - ☑ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
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Respectfully summitted,

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Favorable consideration of claims 1-5 and 11-18, in their entirety, on their merits, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed December 24, 1997, in the above-identified application, applicants elect to prosecute group I, with traverse, and the species of systemic lupus erythematosus of claim 15, with traverse. It is believed that there is no fee required for consideration of this amendment. However, if a fee is required, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 01-2507.

Reconsideration of the restriction requirement is requested. Claims 1-5 and 11-18 are pending in the application with entry of this amendment. A copy of the claims after entry of the amendment is attached to facilitate review by the Examiner.

An Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted under separate cover.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 6-10 and 19-26.